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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (PAPER NO. 2)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2003 (Paper No. 2), please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 7, 19 and 20.

Please amend claims 1, 11 and 16 as they appear below.

Please add claims 21-25 as they appear below.

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> (Amended) An implantable medical device comprising a self-supporting structural member fabricated of a plurality of laminated layers of at least one biocompatible